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Title: Need to modernize and upgrade Chenganuur and Kayamkulam Railway stations in Kerala.

SHRIMATI C.S. SUJATHA (MAVELIKARA): Chengannur is the nearest and most convenient station for the devotees en-route to Sabarimala. Crores of devotees from across the country particularly from the Southern States visit this famous shrine every year. This year the expected number of pilgrims is approximately 5 crores. But the existing facilities at this Railway Station are not sufficient to cater to the requirements of the vast number of commuters. The Kayamkulam Station was declared as a Junction few years back, but so far no work has been undertaken to increase the facilities at this station too. It is important to note that both these stations contribute significantly to the revenue earnings of the railways.

Hence I urge upon the Government to take steps to include these two stations for modernization and upgradation of the facilities.